

SPEAKER BAACK: It is withdrawn. I wish this spirit would have hit people a little earlier. The next amendment.

CLERK: Senator Robinson would move to amend.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Robinson. Senator Robinson.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, my amendment is basically rerunning the amendment Senator Moore had, and, basically, it's raising the tax on keno to from 2 to 4 percent and I will give my remaining time to Senator Moore if he has anything to say. If not, that finishes what I have to say.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Moore, do you have anything to say?

SENATOR MOORE: Well, to further define what Senator Robinson had stated about raising the keno tax from 2 to 4, as I said, I think out in the lobby in discussing it that's a true statement, but not necessarily accurate in all cases because I don't know if Senator Robinson, I think he just redrafted the amendment that I filed. Is that right, Senator Robinson? Well, I think, by itself, it's a straight increase and without being written in conjunction with Senator Abboud's amendment, the way it's now written, it would be a pure increase for everybody. And so I think we need to redraft it because the way my amendment was originally filed as an amendment to Senator Abboud's, and though it raised the state rate from 2 to 4, Senator Abboud's, it did away with 2 percent going to the horsemen fund and so for four-fifths of the keno operations there wasn't a tax increase. This amendment would probably be a true tax increase and it may need to be reworked a little bit, Senator Robinson. But that's...that's...

SPEAKER BAACK: Anyone wishing to address this amendment by Senator Robinson? It's withdrawn. Okay. Next amendment, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Moore would move to amend.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Moore.

CLERK: This amendment relates to this issue. Basically, what it is, is that, as you are well aware of, there's a question of whether or not the 2 percent of the keno lottery proceeds now